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SUBJECT: ASSISTANCE TO NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS UNDP PROJECT AT UNIVERSITY OF LESOTHO

- 1. IN FOLLOW-UP TO MISSION'S PREVIOUSLY REPORTED APPROACH TO UNDP, MISSION HAS RECEIVED LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 5 FROM DEPUTY UNDP ADMINISTRATOR BROWN WHICH STATES THAT PROJECT DOCUMENT CONCERNING CONSTRUCTION OF UNDP-FINANCED HOSTEL WITHIN THE CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LESOTHO AND RELATED PROVISION OF 30 FELLOWSHIPS TO SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENTS MAKES NO SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO USE OF FACILITIES BY STUDENTS SPONSORED BY AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.
- 2. ON THE OTHER HAND, LETTER REFERS TO UNDP DOCUMENT DP/-315 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR ON UNDP ASSISTANCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES DESCRIBING ASSISTANCE BEING GIVEN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE OAU AND CALLS ATTENTION TO FACT THAT NLM PROJECT NUMBERS LISTED IN DOCUMENT CONTAIN IN THEIR PREFIX THE NAME OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENT INVOLVED, I.E. WITH WHICH THE PROJECT DOCUMENT WAS NEGOTIATED. LETTER CONTINUES TO EFFECT THAT STRONG PRESUMPTION EXISTS THAT UNDP GOVERNING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COUNCIL, IN CONSIDERING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT, ENDORSED UNDP'S DEALING WITH LIBERATION MOVEMENTS "IN THEIR OWN RIGHT." ATTENTION IS CALLED TO FACT THAT IN PARA. 30 IT IS EXPLICITLY STATED THAT PURPOSE OF THE GRANT THEREIN DESCRIBED IS TO ASSIST STUDENTS SPONSORED BY THE PAC (IMPLICATION IS THAT SAME REASONING APPLIES TO ANC LESOTHO PROJECT).

- 3. LETTER CONCLUDES THAT FULL REPORT BEING REQUESTED OF LESOTHO RESREP.
- 4. IN ORAL COMMENT BROWN DREW PARALLEL IN RESPECT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES FOR GRANTING FELLOWSHIPS BETWEEN UNDP RELATIONSHIPS WITH RECOGNIZED GOVERNMENTS
 AND UNDP RELATIONSHIPS WITH NLMS, IN EFFECT SUGGESTING THAT NLMS COULD APPROPRIATELY EXERCISE SAME CONTROL AS TO BENEFICIARIES OF FELLOWSHIPS AS NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS.
- 5. COMMENT: MISSION ASSUMES DEPT WILL NOT BE HAPPY WITH TREND OF BROWN'S THINKING BUT WILL AWAIT FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE RESPONDING TO BROWN'S LETTER. YOUNG

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